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In re the application of
Richard D. Harris, et al

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) Examiner: M. M. Gimie

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please consider the following Preliminary Amendment prior to substantive examination of this application. This Preliminary Amendment is being submitted within three months of the application filing date and prior to the receipt of an Office Action.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 8, please replace the first paragraph (numbered paragraph 22) with the following:

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